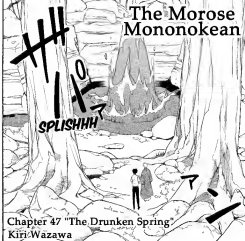


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KATAHAKU-
SAN'S
FATHER.



THIS
DEMON IS
MOROHAKU-
SAN...



HIS PRESENCE
FEELS WEAK
ON THE
SURFACE, AS
THOUGH HE'S
SUPPRESSING
IT...

BUT I SENSE
A BOTTOMLESS
AURA OF
INTIMIDATION...

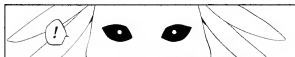


HE'S
BIGGER
THAN I
EXPECTED...



HE
LOOKS
ABOUT
TWO
METERS
TALL...

HIS
PRESENCE
IS ENOR-
MOUS,
TOO...





NORMALLY WHEN I
HEAR HUMAN
VOICES IN
THIS FOREST,
I SCARE
THEM AWAY.

SPLORP
" +
" 12"

SPLORP
" +
" 12"



I WASN'T
EXPECTING
YOU TO BE
FROM THE
MONO-
NOKSAN.



ABENO
AND
ASHIYA,
IS IT?

I CAN
HEAR
EVERY-
THING
YOU'RE
SAYING
AT THAT
VOLUME.



WHO'S THE ONE
YOU WERE JUST
DISCUSSING
WHO ASKED
YOU TO DELIVER
SOMETHING TO
ME FROM THE
UNDERWORLD??









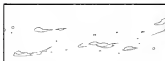
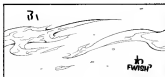


















WHILE I
WASN'T
WATCHING...

...HE
SURE HAS
GROWN.



I FEEL
GOOD...



KATAHAKU...



WOBBLE





...HAKU...

...HAKU-
SAN.

...HUH?

MORO-
HAKU-
DONO.

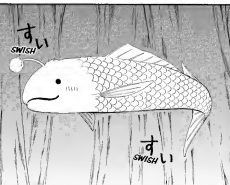


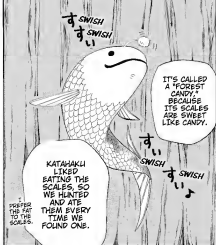




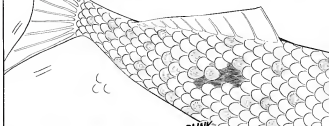












THE
SCALES
CAME
OFF....!

PLINK



PLINK



THE SWEET
SCALES
HELP IT
SURVIVE,
BECAUSE
PREDATORS
ARE DRAWN
TO THOSE
INSTEAD OF
THE FISH
ITSELF.

ITS SCALES
FALL OFF WHEN
IT'S ATTACKED
BY PREDATORS
SO IT CAN
ESCAPE WHILE
THEY'RE BATING
THOSE INSTEAD.

SNASH

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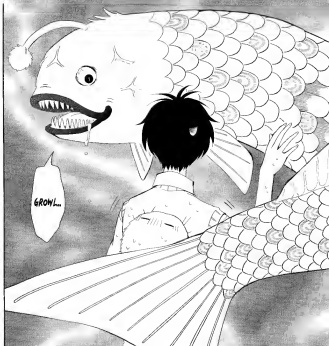


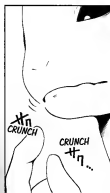
SNATCH

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...I
SEE.







CHOMP

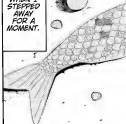


WHEN I
RETURNED,
KATAHAKU
WAS GONE.

SLURP
SLURP



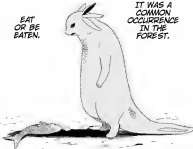
IT WAS
WHEN I
STEPPED
AWAY
FOR A
MOMENT.



KATAHAKU
WAS EATEN.

EAT
OR BE
EATEN.

IT WAS A
COMMON
OCCURRENCE
IN THE
FOREST.





BUT NOW,
I FEEL
PROFOUNDLY-

I DIDN'T
FEEL
SADNESS.
THERE
WAS NO
RAGE,
HATRED,
OR
PASSION
EITHER.



斗王
FŪŌ

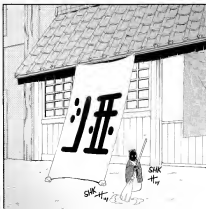


EVERY
TIME I
TOUCH
THESE
TRACES
OF HIM,
I FEEL
HAPPY.





IT WAS
GOOD
SAKE...

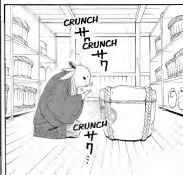
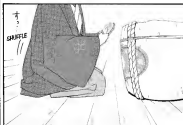


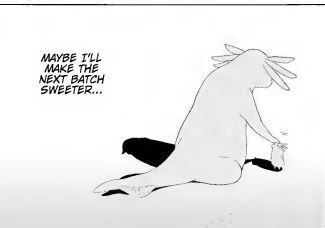




MY
FATHER...

...THOUGHT
MY SAKE
WAS GOOD.





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